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As a programmer in the IT industry, I have been reading most articles and news pieces I could find on this subject. Assuming that the media have not misled me, it seems that Microsoft definitely and purposefully engaged in anti-competitive practices and then tried to deny/hide such actions.

If Microsoft is found to be guilty of such actions (or admits to them), Microsoft should be penalized to the point where it is greatly discouraged from ever doing such again. Whatever it takes to discourage such in the future should be done, whether it is breaking up the company, removing officers of the company, or other penalties/preventions. Microsoft should not be simply fined and monitored for a short time, the equivalent to a slap on the wrist, and then allowed to go back to anti-competitive practices.

To boil my opinion down:

If Microsoft has engaged in anti-competitive practices, any means necessary to ensure they don't do it again should be used, just short of destroying the company.

Thank you,

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